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## Keen Interest shown In 4th war Loan Drive States Chairman Lee

The Fourth War Loan bond drive in Torrance is making good progress, according to Hillman Lee, chairman of the Torrance War Finance committee. He states that the response by individuals called on in the residential district by the mobile unit which has been conducting a canvass three hours each night has brought sales aggregating more than \$9,000 during the first five nights of the campaign. Since then considerably more has been added.

### Much Rivalry Exists

Keen interest has been taken and much rivalry shown by sales people of the local stores and in several instances they have exceeded their allotted quotas. The personnel of the mobile unit consists entirely of volunteers. They are equipped to issue and deliver the bonds as they are sold. A representative of one of the local banks goes along with the unit and sees that the bonds are properly executed before delivery to the purchaser.

Torrance's quota has been set at \$250,000—\$250,000 from corporations and the remaining \$400,000 from individuals. Latest reports indicate that nearly three-quarters of the last named amount has been subscribed.

### Rotary's Bond Night

The Torrance Rotary Club has designated tonight as "bond night" for its regular weekly meeting. Some Rotarians predict that between \$5,000 and \$6,000 will be subscribed during the session.

"Every individual should regard success of the drive as his personal responsibility and should see that every dollar of surplus money he has above essential expenses is put into war bonds," Chairman Lee said. "By doing so, he will have a vital part in backing up our men on the battlefronts, who have a right to expect that every one of us at home is taking the war seriously and that we will not let them down."

### Encouraging Results

Sales the first few days of the drive have been encouraging, Lee said, but he pointed out that more universal participation by the people will be necessary in order to attain this community's quota.

"We hope," he said, "that no family will fail during the drive to obtain and display one of the red-white-and-blue treasury stickers, given to buyers of extra war bonds. This shield is a

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## Blood Bank Collects 163 Pints From Aluminum Plant Employees

At the Aluminum Company of America plant, Torrance branch, 163 employees each gave a pint of blood to the Red Cross mobile unit which was at the plant last Friday, according to Mrs. O. A. Kresse, blood bank chairman for this area.

Mrs. Mary Byrne, plant nurse, and Miss Glynn Berg, editor of the plant magazine, gave valuable assistance and were responsible for making the arrangements.

The Torrance Red Cross Mobile Corps, consisting of Eloda Barkdull, Velma Schultz, and Lena Parks, transported the equipment, also the Canteen Service and Staff Assistance Corps personnel in the city ambulance driven by Mrs. Barkdull. Mrs. Julia Neelands, chairman of the Canteen Service, and her aides, Selma Keefe, Garnet Johnston, Mildred Lancaster, Bernice Curler and Fern Woods served.

Mrs. Marie Beale is chairman of the Staff Assistance Committee of the Red Cross. Others of her group included Lucile Thompson, Gladys Weston, Carol Hendrickson, Helen Silligo, Allie Lee Perkins, Ella Hoag and Freda Moore.

The next blood bank will be in Torrance on Friday, Feb. 11, at the Civic Auditorium from 3 to 7 p.m. The quota is 325 pints but Mrs. Kresse is urging at least 400 persons to sign up for this occasion in the hope that the quota may be exceeded. The largest mobile unit operated in Los Angeles County will be here, she said.

## Capt. Carroll Bender Sends Plea for Vote In Brief Cablegram

"I want to vote!" The foregoing was contained in a terse cablegram received this week by Mayor Tom F. McGuire from Capt. Carroll J. Bender of the American Air Forces, who has been on frequent missions over Germany and the Axis occupied countries of Europe, explains the prevailing sentiment said to exist among those on the fighting fronts regarding the opportunity to vote in the presidential election this year.

While Congress debates this question and the states of the union are insisting on their constitutional rights to maintain their respective control over elections, the men and women overseas are urging speed of some sort that will not deny them the opportunity to have something to say next November which shall be President and Vice President of the United States, Representatives in Congress and United States Senators to take office early in January, 1945.

### Born in Torrance

Captain Bender, who was born and raised in Torrance, attended the schools here and was a popular employee of the National Supply Company, could have said more, but, it is believed, he sent the brief message trusting that the people of this community would understand that he wishes them to use their influence with California members of Congress and the state legislature in special session this week to get busy to enact legislation that will assure those in the armed forces that they will have the chance to exercise their right of franchise next Nov. 7.

### Hopes for Lt. Wells

In a recent letter to his brother, Bert, he gave some encouraging news about Lt. Stanley Wells, who used to run a magnifying glass in the inspection department and weld shop at the National before he joined the Army Air Corps. Lt. Wells was reported missing in action during a recent fight over Bremen.

Guy Wells, father of the lieutenant, worked as a lathe hand in 1929 to 1942. Capt. Bender served his apprenticeship under him at National Supply Co.

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## Texas Company Given Permit For Pipe Line

The Torrance city engineer was authorized by the city council Tuesday night to issue a permit to the Texas Company to excavate for and lay a ten-inch conduit for transportation of oil or gases to the Los Angeles Harbor.

J. L. Sturgeon, representative of the oil company, stated that the proposed pipe line is a war project and for that reason speed is necessary so that construction work may be started by Feb. 1.

The city attorney was instructed at a previous meeting to confer with representatives of the Texas Company and work out the legal phases involved and to draft a proposed franchise for consideration of the council. This was done and the attorney presented a notice for purchase of the franchise which is published in this newspaper today.

A draft of the proposed franchise was also presented which contains features favorable to the city, it was stated. The conduit will be laid on the west side of Western ave., between 203rd and 228th sts. and is a portion of a new trunk line to the harbor area.

## Send Us Your News . . .

Have you had some interesting news regarding your favorite serviceman? Have you had a party lately? Has your organization held an interesting meeting? Send your news items to the Herald, your home-town newspaper, for publication. There's no obligation.

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CAPT. CARROLL J. BENDER . . . expresses sentiment among servicemen overseas in a brief telegram to Mayor Tom F. McGuire saying: "I want to vote."

## 21 Graduates in High School Senior Class

Twenty-one students of the Torrance High School are included in the W-1944 graduating class who will receive their coveted diplomas at exercises to be held in the school auditorium next Thursday, Feb. 3, commencing at 8 o'clock, according to announcement made today by Harold E. Perry, principal.

The public is invited to witness the following program:

Professional, "Recessional," R. DeKoven, Class of Winter, 1944. Invocation, Rev. Harry Branton.

Response, "Lift Thine Eyes," Mendelssohn, combined Girls' Glee Clubs. Baccalaureate, Rev. Paul Perry.

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## Better Bus Transportation for Torrance Discussed at Session Held in City Hall Last Night

Transportation designed to improve the municipal bus system so that it will not only adequately serve the citizens of Torrance but the many industrial plants of this community as well was discussed last night between the transportation committee of the Chamber of Commerce, representatives of industrial concerns and members of the city council at a meeting held in the council chamber at the city hall.

### Agree on Problem

The plant managers and all others present were agreed that transportation is a vital problem that must be solved. Just how this can be done was finally left up to a committee consisting of C. C. Moffatt of the Bohn Aluminum and Brass Company, chairman; D. E. Blaisdel of the Doak Aircraft Company, and Charles F. Koors, transportation executive, who will meet during the coming week to go into the financial and technical features of the proposal and expect to be ready to report their recommendations at another meeting during the coming week.

At the beginning of the meeting Mayor Tom F. McGuire assured those present that the city council will cooperate in every way possible in the movement to give transportation service which this community needs and is entitled to.

### Work by Chamber

James L. Lynch, president of the chamber; William H. Tolson, chairman, and Phillip Van Dyke, member of the chamber transportation committee, explained that the chamber had been working on the problem ever since reorganizing and rejuvenating of the civic organization some weeks ago. They told about the preliminary work that had been done and put it straight up to the plant man-

## Occupancy List Slash Affects Federal Homes

As of last Jan. 1, 1,275 firms in Los Angeles County engaged in war production activities were placed on an occupancy list with the privilege of certifying their employees as eligible for federal housing. This list was prepared by the National Housing Agency, in cooperation with the War Manpower Commission.

Recently the Urgency Area Production committee was created, of which L. M. Greaves, with offices at 1031 Broadway, Los Angeles, is chairman. This commission has superseded the Jan. 1 occupancy list with one dated Jan. 24, which contains only 38 eligible concerns in the county. In Torrance, eight of the former 24 were retained.

The committee has provided, however, means whereby the firms left off may be replaced on the list, according to a committee statement, if it can be shown by concerns on the Jan. 1 list that they are in need of housing. But it is necessary for them to contact their prime contractors, who in turn will contact the procurement agency constituting the source of the contract. These may be the Army, Navy or Merchant Marine procurement offices, it was explained.

Whatever action the procurement agency may take, it was further asserted, depends entirely upon the urgency continuing as it was heretofore. Upon this showing, the agency will submit its recommendations to the Area Production Urgency Committee for decision.

The new regulations cutting down the eligibility list affects housing constructed by priority assistance since Feb. 10, 1943. All other housing, as it becomes vacant, will be available to war workers through the nearest War Housing Center, it was declared.

Reason for the drastic curtailment of the occupancy list was said to be due to asserted abuses, for example, cases where some member of a family obtains a job in a defense plant and works only long enough to become eligible to occupy an authorized priority assistance home and then leaves the place of employment, but continues to occupy the home. The new regulation order is expected to correct repetition of such subterfuge in the future, it was claimed.

Little gasoline was left in the car, so Hata drove it to the office of the ration board in Torrance, where F. W. Daniels, chief clerk of the board, issued him coupons for 140 gallons with which to return to St. Louis.

"He showed me papers indicating he had been released from Jerome to go to St. Louis," Daniels said. "The papers were marked 'No restriction' so I thought he had permission to be here. The law permits issuance of gasoline under such conditions to permit removal of a car from one place to another place of residence."

Russell Paxton, member of Torrance gas panel, okayed the issuance with the remark:

"Get him out of here before some Marine sees him."

Stroh Gives Advice  
The documents presented by Hata to the ration board appeared to be regular, so the coupons were issued. After Stroh advised Daniels that the board should have first notified his department and Hata would have been detained pending FBI investigation. The chief reminded him that no Japanese is permitted to roam at large in the coast regions without military escort and permission of his relocation center.

According to Nathan, Hata, who is charged with traveling unguarded and without permission in a military defense zone, formerly lived at 2011 Purdue st., West Los Angeles. When all Japanese were evacuated after Pearl Harbor he was sent first to the Santa Anita internment camp and later to the Jerome camp in Arkansas.

In May, 1943, he was released by the War Relocation Authority to work for E. F. Peoples, 115 N. 9th st., St. Louis. Hata told Nathan that on Jan. 14, this year, he sent a telegram to the War Relocation Authority at San Francisco asking permission to come to Southern California, stating he wished to straighten out "income tax complications" and that he would "drive back" to St. Louis.

## Torrance Mother Has Five Sons In Armed Services

There is one mother in Torrance who has five sons serving their country in the U. S. armed services. She is Mrs. Blanche E. Justice, whose home is at 1554 West 220th st. Three are in the Navy and two in the Army.

One of her boys is Paul (Red) Justice, a shipfitter, 2/c, who is somewhere in the South Pacific area. His wife, Gladys, and their infant son live at 1522 Acacia ave.

Robert C. is a private 1/c in the Army and has recently been transferred from Camp Buckner, Ala., to North Carolina.

Leon is serving with the U. S. Navy somewhere in the South Pacific.

Thomas, also in the Navy, is a seaman 1/c, and is somewhere in the South Pacific.

Roland, Army private, 1/c, is with an infantry division at Camp Swift, Texas.

Hata came to Torrance after having obtained his automobile which he left here when he was shipped out of the state with other Japanese. He was issued coupons for gasoline so he could leisurely drive the car back east.

Things went well with him until he was picked up at Blythe by Deputy Sheriff Lee Hickey of Riverside county after an "all points" broadcast sent out by Robert Nathan, FBI agent at San Diego.

Auto at Lomita  
The automobile in question had been left at the B. J. Gannon home, 20777th st., South Torrance. The Hata family had leased land from the Gannons prior to the war with Japan.

Mrs. Gannon explained that she had known Hata for a number of years and allowed him to take the car after he had "shown a paper" to her son which she thought gave him permission to be in this part of the country.

Wallace Wilburn Hendricks, R. 1, Box 63-A, Redondo Beach, Army. Marvin Burpo, 1452 W. 220th st., Torrance, Navy. Lincoln Joseph Coleman, 1745 Gardena blvd. (P. O. Box 306, Moneta), Army.

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Mark Louis Roessler, 909 Via Coronel, Palms Verdes Estates, Army. One delinquent registrant failed to report for this induction: Clarence Victor Knemeyer, Jr., of 4674 W. 63rd st., Los Angeles. Born March 4, 1918. For many years lived in Rolling Hills.

The board will deliver approximately 25 registrants for their pre-induction physical examination by the Army on Jan. 31. Approximately 106 registrants also will be delivered for their pre-induction physical examination by the Army on Feb. 16, 1944, in accordance with the new procedure.

Chamber of Commerce Meeting Tonight  
Directors of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce will hold a meeting at the chamber rooms, Sartori and Post aves., tonight, commencing at 8 o'clock. Important matters are to come up for consideration and all members are urged to be present.

Elementary School Enrollment Gain Seen In Second Semester  
The second semester of the 1943-44 school year will begin next Monday, Feb. 7, in the Torrance and other schools operated by the L. A. city school system and will be concluded on June 23, it was announced this week.

This means that enrollment in the elementary schools of Torrance will be increased by entrance of elementary and first grade children for the first time. Bernhard J. Strand, superintendent of the elementary schools, announces.

Qualifications Told  
Children five years of age or who will become five years of age on or before May 1 may be admitted to kindergarten if they are enrolled during the first month of the new semester or by March 3. Children who are six years of age or who will become six years of age on or before May 1 will be admitted to the first grade if they are enrolled by March 3, Strand explains.

A birth certificate or other recognized proof of age must be presented by parents for children entering school for the first time. Documents which will be accepted as proof of age consist of the following in the order listed, provided they contain the day, month and year of the child's birth: (1) Birth certificate; (2) health office or vital statistics record of birth date; (3) affidavit of physician attending birth or hospital record of birth; (4) U. S. Census Bureau (Washington, D. C.) record; (5) court decree establishing date and place of birth; (6) entry in family Bible of record of birth, baptismal or other church record; (7) adoption papers; (8) passport; or (9) insurance policy over two years old.

## Planning For Postwar Period Stressed At Cities League Session

Sensible planning for the post-war period—and less theorizing—was the keynote of the address given by Robert Graves, executive secretary of the California League of Cities, principal speaker at the January session of the Los Angeles County division of the league last Thursday evening at the Torrance Civic Auditorium, which was attended by more than 200 city officials and civic-minded people from many sections of the county.

### Public Works

In speaking of postwar public works projects, Graves declared that too many municipalities have been "looking into the clouds and depending too much on looking toward Washington. We must keep in mind that the national government has rolled up a debt approximating 300 billion dollars—largely because

of the war—and this war is not yet ended, so we should not depend on that source for aid with any degree of confidence. On the contrary, we must put our own house in order and map a state aid municipal program in a sound, sensible way to meet the problems that will confront us following the war."

League Begins Study  
Advising that the state league has begun a study of these problems through recent creation of a planning committee, Graves asserted that the state legislature had the future in mind when it passed its last session what is known as the capital outlay law which permits municipalities to create a fund for use in meeting the cost of local postwar projects.

Most California cities are in good financial condition now and can, from time to time, add to his fund so that when the war is over they will be ready for work and prepared to pay for selected projects which may be deemed a community need and at the same time relieve to a large extent the stress of unemployment during the readjustment period following the war, Graves asserted.

Civilian Defense  
The speaker deplored the sentiment expressed in some quarters that there no longer is any need to keep the Civilian Defense Corps functioning.

"We have heard some people say that 'there is no longer any danger of the Japs bombing our town' and I may agree with them on that score—but I don't know, but there are many other reasons why this war service association formed by volunteer citizens to protect lives and property, that is no longer any longer should be kept intact."

The speaker emphasized that here is still possibility of an emergency arising where the services of the Civilian Defense Corps may be needed. He warned that there is a shortage of police officers almost everywhere, shortage of school teachers everywhere, youth problems, assistance in promoting war bond sales and many other ways in which the Civilian Defense groups can serve their respective communities.

Address by Legg  
Another speaker of the evening was Herbert C. Legg, area representative of the Executive Office of the President's committee for congestion areas, who was introduced by Michael Telefsen, city attorney of Culver City.

Legg explained his duties and said organization of the committee named by the President is to coordinate all federal agencies in this area to carry on the war. The government proposes

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In Armed Services  
Selective Service Board No. 280 has announced that the following selectees have been accepted for service under date of Jan. 13:

Joseph Franklin Lee, 1014 Packard ave., Fort Wayne, Ind. (formerly of 17201 Dalton ave. Gardena), volunteer in Seabees.

Kaj Thomsen Hansen, Box 143 Woodland Hills, Calif. (formerly of 1003 Portola ave., Torrance) volunteer for Navy.

Elisha David Lay, 2229 230th st., Torrance, volunteer for Army.

John Davidson Disario, 1444 Engracia ave., Torrance, Navy. Andrew Ebbert Ray, P. O. Box 391, Torrance, Navy.

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